

REMARKS

This paper is filed in response to the office action dated June 29, 2010, in the above-referenced application. This paper is timely filed as it is accompanied by a petition for extension of time and authorization to charge our credit card account in the amount of the requisite fee. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 29610/CDT471.

Claims 1-29 are pending in this application, but claim 21 has been withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to the applicants' provisional election to prosecute claims 1-20 and 22-29, with traverse. The applicants hereby affirm their previous election to prosecute claims 1-20 and 22-29 with traverse, but submit that claim 21 does not lack unity of invention with claims 1-20 and 22-29, as explained in further detail below.

By the foregoing, claims 1, 3, 10, 22-24, and 26 have been amended, and claims 2 and 11 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Support for the amendment to claim 1 may be found, for example, in original claims 2, 3, and 11, and in the first full paragraph of page 9 of the application as filed. The other claim amendments merely relate to matters of form. No new matter has been added.

CLAIM REJECTIONS

Claims 1-14, 16-18, 20, and 22-25 have been rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as assertedly anticipated by WO 99/48160 to Burroughes ("Burroughes"). Claims 15, 19, and 26 29 have been rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as assertedly obvious over Burroughes. The applicants respectfully traverse the rejections.

Burroughes discloses a composition which is a blend of components providing emissive, hole transporting, and electron transporting properties. Burroughes does not disclose or suggest a composition comprising a first material for transporting holes and a second material for emission and transporting holes and electrons, wherein the second material is a polymer, as recited by all pending claims.

Such a composition is significant in view of the present inventors' surprising finding that its inclusion in a light emitting device results in significantly improved device performance. In this respect, the Office is respectfully directed to the section entitled

“Lifetime” at page 17 of the specification as originally filed, which illustrates that device lifetime is increased several fold by depositing a composition comprising first and second materials, as claimed.

There is no explicit or implicit teaching in Burroughes suggesting a method comprising the step of depositing a composition comprising first and second materials as claimed, much less the benefits of such a composition. Accordingly, a *prima facie* case of obviousness cannot be sustained, and the outstanding rejections over Burroughes should be withdrawn.

TRAVERSAL OF UNITY OF INVENTION OBJECTION

At page 1, the action indicates that the common technical feature of claims 1 and 21 is the method of making the product, which the action asserts is known in the prior art. The applicants respectfully request that claim 21 should be rejoined to the application because Burroughes does not disclose or suggest a method comprising the step of depositing a composition comprising first and second materials as claimed (as explained above), and thus claim 21 does not lack unity with claims 1-20 and 22-29. Accordingly, claim 21 should be rejoined to the application.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Should the examiner wish to discuss the foregoing, or any matter of form or procedure in an effort to advance this application to allowance, the examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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